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REMARKS

The Office Action mailed on February 21, 2007 has been reviewed, along with the art cited. Claims 1-14 are pending in this application.

Double Patenting Rejection

Claim 1 was rejected under a non-statutory double patenting rejection over claim 15 of U.S. Patent No. 6,963,552. A Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(b)(iv) is enclosed herewith to over come this rejection.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-14 were indicated to be otherwise allowed.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that claims **1-14** are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayments to Deposit Account No. 502432.

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding this application, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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